

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	17430	Agenda Number	94.
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Meeting Date:	8/23/2012	Department:	Austin Water Utility
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Subject

Conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed rate and fee changes for the Austin Water Utility as part of the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Proposed Budget.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	David Anders, 972-0323; Denise Avery, 972-0104
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This action requests City Council to conduct a public hearing to hear public comments on the water and wastewater rate changes proposed in the Utility's Proposed Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget. Council is scheduled to adopt the budget on September 10, 11, and 12, 2012. The City Code in Section 2-5-45 specifically requires a public hearing prior to the City Council approving any changes in electric, water, wastewater, and garbage collection rates.

The Austin Water Utility's Proposed Fiscal Year 2012-13 Budget includes the following changes to the current water and wastewater rates:

	Water Rates (Revenue Impact) (1)	Wastewater Rates (Revenue Impact)
<u>Retail Customers:</u>		
Single Family	6.5% Increase	7.5% Increase
Multifamily	7.5% Increase	6.0% Increase
Commercial	6.2% Increase	5.0% Increase
Large Volume (2)	3.5% Increase	3.8% Increase
<u>Wholesale Customers: (2)</u>	7.7% Increase	5.0% Increase
Systemwide without		
Water Revenue Reserve Fund:	5.0% Increase	6.0% Increase
Systemwide Including		
Water Revenue Reserve Fund:	6.5% Increase	6.0% Increase
<i>(1) Water Rate percentage impacts shown for all customer classes include new Revenue Stability Reserve Fund</i>		
<i>(2) Large Volume and Wholesale customers each have individual rates</i>		
The attached schedules provide detailed current and proposed water and wastewater rates for all retail and wholesale customer classes.		